

REMARKS

The Examiner rejected claims 1-2, 7-10, 13-16 and 19-20 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0069263 ("Sears") in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0034853 ("Gibbons"), but indicated that the remaining claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. These allowable claims include claims 3-6, 11, 12, 17, and 18.

Applicant has amended each independent claim to now include the limitations of an allowable claim. Specifically, independent claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of dependent claim 5; independent claim 9 has been amended to include the limitations of dependent claim 12; and independent claim 15 has been amended to include the limitations of dependent claim 17. Accordingly, claims 5, 12, and 17 have been cancelled. Now pending are claims 1-4, 6-11, 12-16, and 18-20.

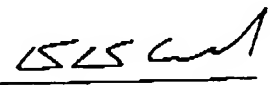
In view of these conforming amendments, Applicant submits that each pending claim is now in condition for allowance.

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